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## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA COLUMBIA DIVISION

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Kevin Dunbar,	Plaintiff,	)	C/A No.: <u>3:04-2519-17</u>	Jul 194
vs.		) ) )	CONSENT AMENDED SCHEDULING ORDER	
Foot Locker Retail, Inc.,	Defendant.	) ) )	Judge Joseph F. Anderson, Jr.	

Pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the Local Civil Rules of this Court, the following schedule is established for this case. This order is entered to administer the trial of cases in a manner consistent with the ends of justice, in the shortest possible time, and at the least possible cost to litigants. Discovery may begin upon receipt of this order.

- 1. Rule 26(f) Conference: A conference of the parties pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(f) was held **August 27, 2004**. 1
- 2. <u>Rule 26(a)(1) Initial Disclosures</u>: No later than **September 20, 2004**, the required initial disclosures under Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(1) shall be made.
- 3. <u>Rule 26(f) Report</u>: No later than **September 13, 2004**, the parties shall file a Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(f) Report in the form attached to this order.<sup>2</sup>
- 4. <u>Amendment of Pleadings</u>: Motions to join other parties and amend the pleadings shall be filed no later than **October 29, 2004**.
- 5. <u>Expert Witnesses</u>: Parties shall file and serve a document identifying by full name, address, and telephone number each person whom they expect to call as an expert at trial by the following dates:<sup>3</sup>

Plaintiff: December 15, 2004
Defendant: January 31, 2005

- 6. <u>Discovery</u>: Discovery shall be completed no later than **March 15, 2005**. All discovery requests shall be served in time for the responses thereto to be served by this deadline.
- 7. <u>Dispositive Motions</u>: All dispositive motions shall be filed on or before **March 29**, **2005**.
- 8. <u>Trial</u>: This case will go to trial during the term of court beginning **September 5**, **2005**. Note: this is not a "subject to being called on or after" date. This is a firm trial date.

September <u>//</u>, 2004 Columbia, South Carolina Joseph F. Anderson, Jr. United States District Judge

- 1. Plaintiff's counsel shall initiate the scheduling of the Rule 26(f) conference with all counsel known to plaintiff regardless of whether they have filed appearances. At conference, the parties shall confer concerning all matters set forth in Rule 26(f) and whether the schedule set forth in this order is appropriate and, if not, what modifications are necessary. See attached form RULE 26(F) REPORT. The parties shall also consider whether they wish to consent to trial before a United States Magistrate Judge (form available on web site).
- 2. Parties are hereby notified that Local Civil Rule 26.03 lists additional queries to be answered in the Rule 26(f) Report. See also Local Civil Rule 26.02 (rules for answering court interrogatories).
- 3. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(2) and (a)(2)(B). Note that while Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(2) does not require filing any portion of the written report or disclosure, Judge Anderson requires filing of a document which identifies the expert and certifies compliance with this rule.
- 4. It will be noted that the court has exempted this case from the pretrial disclosure requirements of Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(3). The court will, however, expect strict compliance with Local Rule 26.07 (regarding the obligation to meet, mark, and exchange exhibits) and Local Rule 26.05 (regarding pretrial briefs).

## WE AGREE AND CONSENT:

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